

# Punctuation for parentheses

Answer the following questions:

1) Why do you think that when using punctuation for parenthesis that they often come in pairs?  
e.g. two commas, two brackets or two dashes

2) John who was normally up late was up and out by 7am.

What is the extra information that should be punctuated correctly? How do you know?

3) Sarah is a vegetarian -she doesn't eat meat-

What is wrong with the example above?

4) Do you find it easiest to add information by embedding it in a sentence or by adding it at the end of the sentence? Why?

5) If you were to add extra information at the end of the sentence which set of punctuation would be most appropriate? Explain why.

6) Why are relative clauses an example of using parenthesis?

7) Create some sentences that embed extra information to a sentence. Does it matter whether you use brackets, commas or dashes when it is embedded?